



# Clarendon Primary School Newsletter

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
2025

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## 2025/26 Term Dates

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/term-dates>

## Diary Dates

New dates added in red

Date	Event
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity Performance – School Hall at 9.30am
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Song Performance – 2pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Elfridges Pop Up Shop
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Songs – 2pm
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concert (Years 1 – 6) – School Hall at 9.30am
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concert (Years 1 – 6) – School Hall at 9.30am
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concert (Years 1 – 6) – School Hall at 2pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Party Hedgehogs/Foxes
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Parties in classes
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Party Squirrels/Foxes
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Peter Pan Christmas Pantomime (in school)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	END OF TERM - 2pm

## Year 6 Christmas Fair Review

The highlight of this week was undoubtedly the Year 6 Christmas Fair on Wednesday. What a fantastic event it was!

Year 6 plan and run this event as part of an enterprise project. Each group is given up to £20 to purchase prizes and items they need to run the stall. They come up with their own ideas and then pitch these to Mrs Stondzik for approval! There is then a prize for the stall which generate the most profit! Every single group went above and beyond with the planning and organisation of their stall this year and overall a fantastic **£342.72 profit** was raised just from the Year 6 stalls in just over an hour.

A particular well done to Stanley, Diamond and Rex who raised the most profit on their stall (£70.87).

Once we have counted up the money raised from the PTA tombolas as well we will share the grand total raised.

A big thank you to Year 6 and their parents for all their support, to everyone for coming along to support and to the PTA for running the tombolas.



## Christmas Events

We are looking forward to welcoming parents into school over the next two weeks for our Christmas performances.

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\* Please see the email sent about tickets for these events



## PTA Update

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The Staines 10k road race takes place each May to bring the local community together & raise funds for various charitable causes in & around Staines. 🗺️

We're looking for parents, grandparents, siblings (aged 17+) or carers who are interested in running the race on behalf of Clarendon PTA.

🏃‍♂️ **Race day is Sunday 10th May, 2026** 🏃‍♂️

If we're able to secure spaces, your entrance fee would be covered by the PTA, and you'd be given a modest 💰 fundraising target 🎯 which you'd need to meet.

All funds raised will go to the PTA (a registered charity) to continue providing funds for trips, experiences, activities, & essential school resources for the children, such as books 📖 & IT equipment 🖨️ etc.

**Please let your class rep know if you're interested in taking part!** 🗨️

## Thank You from Manna Foodbank

As you will remember, we collected donations for Manna Foodbank during Harvest. This week we received a 'thank you' from them for our donations which totalled over 100kg – did you know that's the same weight as a baby elephant!



19<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Mr. W. Neal  
Clarendon Primary School  
Knapp Road  
Ashford  
Middx.  
TW15 2HZ

Dear Mr. Neal

I am writing to thank you, your staff, parents and pupils for the very generous donation of 100kgs of food, collected at your recent Harvest service, to help towards the work of the Manna Food Bank.

As you can imagine this has greatly boosted our store at the Food Bank, and will enable us to continue helping those clients, referred to us, who find themselves in emergency need of our support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathy Purdon".

Kathy Purdon  
Secretary  
Management Committee

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## Reading Raffle – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

The Winning Class with the greatest number of children being entered into the draw was Year 6.  
The lucky winners were;

1. Isabella B – Y2
2. Nikita N – Y3
3. Eliana M – Y6

They all won a choice of reading book...well done to them and to everyone who was awarded a raffle ticket this week.

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## Weekly Achievers – 28<sup>st</sup> November 2025

Class	Names
Year R	-
Year 1	Emir I & Ella H
Year 2	Lola R & Imaya EF
Year 3	Baker D & Aahan T
Year 4	Aanika C & Aimee H
Year 5	Emily C & Sandra A
Year 6	Jess C & Poppy B

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## Class Weekly Attendance Award – Week ending 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Year R with 100%

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Year 3 with 98.7%

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Year 4 & Year 6 with 96.9%

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## Attendance Reminder

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (**which do not have to be consecutive**), then the following will apply:

If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of **£160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days**. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of **£160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days**. **There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days**. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then **you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996**.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Head teacher.

# Community News

## How Nurturing Programme Parent Groups have helped other parents

"I am a much more confident, positive and understanding parent. I feel much more able to cope now."

"We are having less family arguments and the household is a lot calmer."

"The group was fun. It's the only two hours I have for myself each week."

"The atmosphere was really relaxed. No-one judged anyone and everyone was listened to and respected."



Check out [emotionalhealth.org.uk](http://emotionalhealth.org.uk) for more information on *The Parenting Puzzle* book and The Nurturing Programme

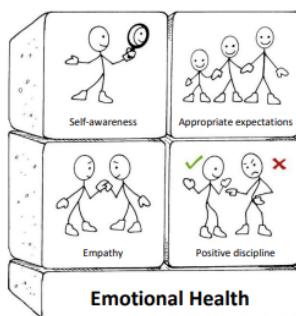
## What is the Nurturing Programme?

Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can be stressful and challenging.

The Nurturing Programme helps deal with those challenges so that you can have a calmer, happier life.

A tried and tested programme, it helps us think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel.

### The Four Constructs of the Nurturing Programme



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## The 10-week Nurturing Programme for parents and carers

Where:

Buckland Primary School,  
Berrycroft Road, Staines TW18 1NB

When:

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January – 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
(one week break at half term)

9.30am – 11.30am

Contact details:

For more information or to book a place:  
Please call Spelthorne Family Centres on  
01784 424759 / 01784 241407  
or email  
[spelthornefamilycentres@surreycaretrust.org.uk](mailto:spelthornefamilycentres@surreycaretrust.org.uk)

Alternatively, if your child attends Buckland Primary School, please speak to Emma Hawthorn, Welfare Officer.



[emotionalhealth.org.uk](http://emotionalhealth.org.uk)  
Registered charity 1062514



## The Nurturing Programme

Information for Parents and carers

How to get the best out of family life



## Practical information

Partners are welcome and it's also fine to come on your own or with a relative or friend

There are ten 2-hour sessions with a tea and coffee break

8-10 parents are invited and there are two trained group leaders

Some groups provide a Creche; check with group leaders beforehand

You need to come to all ten sessions as they fit together like a puzzle



## What does it cover?

Over the 10-week Programme, you will look at lots of different topics, including:

**Understanding** why children behave as they do

**Recognising** the feelings behind behaviour (ours and theirs)

**Exploring** different approaches to discipline

**Finding** ways to develop co-operation and self-discipline in children

**Learning** the importance of looking after ourselves



# TUB2PUB

Greene King's 'Tub2Pub', a recycling campaign to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support and recycle plastics, will be back in 2026!

From 1 Jan - 15 Feb 2026, its pubs, restaurants, and hotels will accept your clean and empty:

- Confectionery tubs
- Biscuit tubs
- Cracker tubs



We're all guilty of indulging in chocolate, sweets and crackers over the festive period, and in the UK we are buying tens of millions of these plastic tubs every year!

Make sure your tubs don't go to waste and bring your clean, empty plastic confectionery and cracker tubs to any Greene King managed site in 1 Jan - 15 Feb 2026 to be recycled.

Simply leave your tubs with a Greene King staff member at the bar or welcome station within one of their locations.

All tubs will be collected and taken to a plastic reprocessing centre where they're shredded, before being sold onto plastic manufacturers to use in place of virgin plastics. All money raised from the sale of Tub2Pub plastics will be given directly to Macmillan Cancer Support.

<https://www.tub2pub.co.uk/tub2pub/>

## LEARN TO SWIM WITH CONFIDENCE!

**WHAT WE OFFER**

- ▶ FREE TRIAL LESSON
- ▶ Small class sizes
- ▶ Teachers in the pool with your children (class/level dependant)
- ▶ Progression programme to main pool  
Swim England Level 2 certified teachers
- ▶ Fun and interactive sessions

**DETAILS**

Price: from £38 a month  
Classes: Monday - Sunday  
Times: Level dependant  
Location: Staines Swimming Club, Matthew Arnold School, Kingston Road, Staines TW18 1PF

**WHY LEARN TO SWIM?**

<b>SAFETY FIRST</b> Equip yourself or your child with life-saving skills.	<b>FITNESS AND FUN</b> Swimming is a great full-body workout and an enjoyable activity.	<b>CONFIDENCE BOOST</b> Overcome fears and build confidence in the water.
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**DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!**

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